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WINDOM'S FRIENDS.

THEY SHOW THEIR ADMIRATION FOR HIM IN A MOST SUBSTANTIAL MANNER.

His Funds, at the Time of His Death, Were Muddled, But His Comrades Pay His Bills.

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, March 10.—When Secretary Windom died his personal affairs were not in as prosperous a condition as many persons believed. His resources had suffered a good deal by investments which had not turned out well. In view of these facts, which became privately known soon after the Secretary's death, some of his friends and admirers in New York thought it becoming that the family of so good a public servant should have some testimonial of the esteem in which he was held by the public. New York bankers started the movement privately among themselves three weeks ago. The amount which it was intended to raise was practically all subscribed by last night, or to be exact, \$49,000 in all. The remaining \$1,000 is expected to day.

WATTESSON ON HILL AND CLEVELAND.

He Declares That he is Still Amazed at Hill's Performance.

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, March 10.—The Tribune publishes a Louisville letter signed "E. L." giving a report of a conversation with Henry Wattesson. After the resources of the south, journalism and other subjects had been discussed, the interviewer touched upon the famous letter to Governor Hill. Mr. Wattesson replied: "I was amazed at Hill's verbiage. If that letter was impertinent I had written one a year before to Mr. Cleveland that was far more impertinent, and instead of Mr. Cleveland taking it as Mr. Hill did, he replied in a spirit of cordiality and acquiescence."

DEMOCRATS ENDORSE CAMERON

While Pennsylvania Republicans Endorse Reed and Turn Their Backs Up on the Senator.

(By United Press.)

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 10.—The House last evening adopted by a strict party vote a resolution endorsing the action of Speaker Reed and commending his course as wise, statesmanlike and patriotic. The Democrats stoutly opposed the passage of the resolution and one of their members offered a resolution endorsing the course of Pennsylvania's senior Senator in aiding the defeat of the federal election bill. The House refused by a party vote to consider this resolution.

A STRANGE AND HORRIBLE DEATH.

A Fireman First Struck by a Steam And then Ripped Open by a Spike.

(By United Press.)

SEATTLE, Wash., March 10.—Herman Lawson, a fireman on the fire boat here, met a horrible death. During the regular weekly parade, Friday evening, Lawson lost his hold on the nozzle and the steam struck him in the side knocking him down. Before he could be rescued he was rolled by the force of the steam for thirty yards along the wharf over a six inch spike, which caught him, tearing open the stomach and lower part of the body. His sufferings were terrible. Morphine was administered and the physicians tried hard to save him, but he died in great agony.

POST-OFFICE EMBEZZLEMENT.

A Colored Man and His Wife Arrested for Stealing a Letter.

(Special to the STATE CHRONICLE.)

NEW BERN, N. C., March 10.—Yesterday United States Deputy Marshal C. B. Hill arrested near Tascorora, Alfred Perry, colored, and his wife, Lucy, charged with embezzling a valuable letter out of the post-office at that place. They were brought here, tried this morning before United States Commissioner E. G. Hill, and bound over to court.

AMMONIA CONDENSER EXPLODES

And Scatters Three Human Bodies in Every Direction.

(By United Press.)

GLASGOW, March 10.—In the Dixon Iron Works in this city to day, a condenser used in the manufacture of ammonia exploded with terrific force and fatal effect. The mangled remains of three of the employees have already been recovered and four other bodies, including that of Mr. Milner, the manager of the concern, are known to be buried beneath the debris. A number of persons were also severely injured.

The Rothschilds at War With Russia.

(By Cable to STATE CHRONICLE.)

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—The semi-official organ Novoye Vremya threatens that if the Rothschilds attempt to bring financial pressure upon the government because of the Jewish persecution the government will retaliate in regard to the Baku Petroleum fields controlled by the Rothschilds.

Mangled Under a Street Car.

(By United Press.)

CINCINNATI, March 10.—Dr. Edward Schaeffer, of 647 Kemper Lane, Walnut Hills, while attempting to leave a cable car in motion at the corner of Reading road and Fern streets, was thrown under the wheels and terribly crushed. He died at 6 o'clock this morning from the effects of his injuries.

THE DEAF & DUMB ASYLUM.

One of the most closely contested contests during the last week of the General Assembly was as to the location of the new Deaf & Dumb Institution. The Legislature wisely decided to separate the deaf and dumb from the blind and put them on a farm where they might be partially self-supporting. Raleigh offered \$7,400; Thomasville, 100 acres of land and 300,000 brick; and Morganton, 100 acres of land and \$6,000 in cash. The committee, by a majority vote of 12 to 9 as between Morganton and Raleigh, favored Morganton. When the bill came to the House there was a close contest, and Mr. JONES and the other Wake members made a gallant fight to locate the school in Raleigh, and were signally aided by a strong and forcible speech by Mr. SUTTON whose influence and speech had much to do with locating the school in Raleigh on its second reading. Messrs. MORTON, ALEXANDER, GOWER, GILL and PERRY also spoke strongly for Raleigh, while Messrs. HOUCK, RAY and WILLIAMS made glowing speeches for Morganton, and Dr. WOOLLEN strongly presented the claims of Thomasville. On the second reading Raleigh won by a vote of 55 to 53; but on the third reading, after a strong fight and after the Senate had decided on Morganton, Raleigh lost by a vote of 42 to 38.

In the Senate the debate was very interesting. Senator AVERY, of Burke, led the fight for Morganton, and made the best speech that he made during the session. He had able help in the arguments of Messrs. AYCOCK, TURNER, TWITTY, WALSER and BELL. The fight for Raleigh was not a whit less earnest and able and was led by SENATOR GREENE, of Wake, who made an earnest and strong argument picturing the advantages of Raleigh. He was assisted by Messrs. FREEMAN, GREEN of Harnett, WILLIAMS, BUTLER and LUCAS. On the second reading Raleigh lost by a small vote, and on the third reading the vote stood: For Morganton, 38; for Raleigh, 19.

The CHRONICLE congratulates the people of the State upon this needed reform. There never was any good reason why these schools should be together, and the separation was a progressive movement that will be generally commended. To be sure all of us in Raleigh desired the location of the school at the capital of the State, and our own Senator and Representatives, and other prominent members, made a noble fight for its location at Raleigh. But they failed, and while the people of Raleigh regretted that another point was selected as the location, they rejoice that the school has been established and that, since Raleigh did not get it, it is located in the healthy and delightful town of Morganton. Our regard for the youth who can neither talk nor hear is high above our local loves and ambitions.

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Beginning with to-morrow's issue the CHRONICLE will give from day to day a careful and reliable resume of the most important Legislation enacted by the General Assembly just adjourned.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

LEACH—The CHRONICLE regrets to learn that Gen. J. M. Leach, of Lexington, is at the point of death.

VANCE—Mr. and Mrs. Vance will spend a little while at Gombroon, and in May they will go for a five months trip to Europe.

SKINNER—Col. Harry Skinner has been invited to deliver the literary address at the next commencement of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

BUSBEE—Grand Sire C. M. Busbee has accepted the invitation to deliver the annual literary address at the next Wake Forest Commencement. It will be a rare treat.

SHERMAN—Mrs. W. T. Sherman, wife of the General, and daughter of Hon. Thos. Ewing is a great grand-daughter of Gen. Wm. Lee Davidson, the hero of Cowan's Ford, Mecklenburg county, and after whom Davidson College is named. She is related therefore to the Brevards, Davidsons and Irvins of Mecklenburg county.

LOWRY—Mr. Lowry, of Buncombe, voted aye on the proposition to "bottle up" the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad and we made a mistake in printing him in the negative. He believes that the State ought to use all legitimate means to compel all railroads to pay taxes, and to make the R. & G. Railroad and the W. & W. Railroad and all other roads stand on the same footing.

NORTH CAROLINA'S COLORED POPULATION.

(From the Charleston News and Courier.)

The white population of North Carolina has gained materially on the colored population in the last ten years, but a further comparison of figures will show that the colored population of the State has increased itself remarkably well, nevertheless. In 1890 the number of the colored population was 574 per cent. of the number of the white population. In 1890 the proportion had fallen only to 54 per cent.—which shows a loss of but 3.4 per cent. in thirty years.

THE HATFIELD GANG.

THEY RAN DOWN A BAND OF THIEVING NEGROES TO RETAKE \$100

Which was Stolen From a Band of Drunken White Miners While Asleep in a Tunnel.

(By United Press.)

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., March 10.—That the Hatfield gang are capable of doing good in their rough and lawless way, was demonstrated last Saturday. The men working in the Hatfield tunnel on the Norfolk & Western extension were paid off last Friday, and all of them, except five negroes, celebrated the event by getting gloriously drunk. During the night, while in a drunken stupor, the men were robbed by the negroes of \$100. When the victims discovered their loss on Saturday they appealed to old man Hatfield, the leader of the famous Hatfield band. After listening to their story he blew a blast upon a horn, and six Hatfields, mounted and armed, responded to the call. They at once started in pursuit of the negroes. They were soon overtaken and seven rifles were leveled at their heads, while they were told to deliver up their booty. The entire amount of money stolen was recovered and \$100 of the negroes' money was taken bonds. The Hatfields returned and gave the \$100 to whom it belonged, kept the \$100 and tacked at each end of the tunnel this sign: "Any nigger found on these premises after 12 to-day will be attended to."

THE PIEDMONT METROPOLIS.

The Contract to Build "The Zinzendorf" Let to a Danville Firm.

(Special to STATE CHRONICLE.)

WINSTON, N. C., March 10.—The West End Land Company, of Winston, to-day awarded the contract for Winston's \$100,000 hotel, "The Zinzendorf," to Graham Bros., of Danville, Virginia. Work on the building is to be commenced at once, and the contract calls for its completion by the first of November next.

Forsyth's Oldest Citizen Dead. Mr. William Myers died here yesterday in his ninety-ninth year. He was said to be the oldest citizen in Forsyth county, if not in the State.

The R. & S. Route South. Capt. Crocker left here this morning to look after the Southern extension of the Roanoke and Southern Railroad. He will go over several proposed routes and then decide upon the best one, after which he will start out with a corps of engineers. The work of locating the Southern extension of the road is to be pushed forward now.

BRAZIL'S PORTS OPEN

To the Welcome of all American Vessels—Her Reciprocity Treaty Good.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The publication in the newspapers of Rio de Janeiro of the decree of the President of Brazil declaring the ports of that Republic free and open to the imports from the United States that were included in the reciprocity agreement made between Secretary Blaine and Mr. Mendence, the Brazilian Minister at Washington, on the 31st of last January, will set at rest the rumors that have been current and the assertions that have come from various sources that the Brazilian Government did not recognize the validity of the treaty.

The Journal de Comercio, the official paper of the Brazilian government, publishes under the date of February 6, the official decree of President De Fonseca dated February 5, which puts the convention in force from the 1st of April next, and also a circular from the Brazilian Minister of the Treasury explanatory of the favors granted to Brazilian products by the treaty.

MRS. FRANK LESLIE'S WILL.

She Will Leave \$600,000 for the Establishment of a University for Her Sex.

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, March 10.—Mrs. Frank Leslie will make a new will on Wednesday, by which the bulk of her fortune amounting to at least \$600,000, will be left in trust for the establishment of a great institution for the instruction of women and the advancement of higher education of the sex.

No Choice for Senator Hearst's Successor.

(By United Press.)

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 10.—The first ballot in the State Senate for U. S. Senator resulted: M. M. Estee 12; Charles N. Felton and M. H. DeYoung 4; D. A. Ostrom (Dem.) 10; scattering 7. In the Assembly the vote for U. S. Senator resulted: DeYoung 18; Estee 13; Blanchard 9; Felton 6, Ostrom (Dem.) 15; scattering 16.

As there was no choice in either branch of the legislature both Houses will meet in joint session to-morrow.

Governor Hill to Deliver the Eulogy on Grady.

(By United Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., March 10.—The formal acceptance of the invitation to deliver the address at the unveiling of the Grady monument has been received from Gov. Hill, of New York. He will be accompanied on the occasion by several cars of prominent Northern admirers of the immortal young Southerner.

Free Trade for Canada.

(By United Press.)

OTTAWA, Ont., March 10.—The Montreal Star (Conservative) states that it is authorized to announce to Canadian manufacturers that they must prepare for free trade, as the government cannot maintain the protective tariff any longer.

SENATORIAL DISTRICTS.

There was much discussion upon the Senatorial district apportionment. As the final result the districts stand as follows: 1st District—Currituck, Camden, Pasquotank, Hertford, Gates, Chowan, and Perquimans shall elect two Senators.

2nd District—Tyrrell, Washington, Martin, Dare, Beaufort, Hyde, and Pamlico shall elect two Senators.

3rd District—Northampton and Bertie shall elect one Senator.

4th District—Halifax shall elect one Senator.

5th District—Edgecombe shall elect one Senator.

6th District—Pitt shall elect one Senator.

7th District—Wilson, Nash and Franklin shall elect two Senators.

8th District—Craven, Jones, Carteret, Lenoir, Onslow and Greene shall elect two Senators.

9th District—Duplin, Wayne and Pender shall elect two Senators.

10th District—New Hanover and Brunswick shall elect one Senator.

11th District—Warren and Vance shall elect one Senator.

12th District—Wake shall elect one Senator.

13th District—Johnston shall elect one Senator.

14th District—Sampson, Harnett and Bladen shall elect two Senators.

15th District—Columbus and Robeson shall elect two Senators.

16th District—Cumberland shall elect one Senator.

17th District—Granville and Person shall elect one Senator.

18th District—Caswell, Alamance, Orange and Durham shall elect two Senators.

19th District—Chatham shall elect one Senator.

20th District—Rockingham shall elect one Senator.

21st District—Guilford shall elect one Senator.

22nd District—Randolph and Moore shall elect one Senator.

23rd District—Richmond, Montgomery, Anson and Union shall elect two Senators.

24th District—Cabarrus and Stanly shall elect one Senator.

25th District—Mecklenburg shall elect one Senator.

26th District—Rowan, Forsyth and Davidson shall elect two Senators.

27th District—Iredell, Davie and Yadkin shall elect two Senators.

28th District—Stokes and Surry shall elect one Senator.

29th District—Catawba, Lincoln, Alexander and Wilkes shall elect two Senators.

30th District—Allegany, Ashe and Watauga shall elect one Senator.

31st District—Caldwell, Burke, McDowell, Mitchell and Yancey shall elect two Senators.

32nd District—Gaston, Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk shall elect two Senators.

33rd District—Buncombe, Madison and Haywood shall elect two Senators.

34th District—Henderson, Transylvania, Jackson and Swain shall elect one Senator.

35th District—Macon, Cherokee, Clay and Graham shall elect one Senator.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

The Nine Districts as Apportioned by the Legislature.

The Congressional districts, after some changes and alteration and much discussion and disagreement were settled upon as follows:

1st, Beaufort, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington.

2nd, Bertie, Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax, Lenoir, Northampton, Warren, Wilson and Wayne.

3rd, Bladen, Cumberland, Duplin, Craven, Harnett, Jones, Moore, Onslow and Sampson.

4th, Chatham, Vance, Franklin, Johnston, Nash, Randolph, and Wake.

5th, Alamance, Caswell, Granville, Guilford, Person, Durham, Orange, Rockingham and Stokes.

6th, Anson, Brunswick, Columbus, Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Pender, Richmond, Robeson and Union.

7th, Catawba, Cabarrus, Davidson, Davie, Lincoln, Iredell, Montgomery, Rowan, Stanly, and Yadkin.

8th, Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Burke, Caldwell, Forsyth, Cleveland, Gaston, Surry, Mitchell, Watauga, and Wilkes.

9th, Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, McDowell, Macon, Madison, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Gross Earnings the Past Year Over a Hundred Million.

(By United Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, March 10.—The stockholders' annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Railroad was held in this city to-day. The annual report of the company showed that the past year had been prosperous. The gross earnings of all the lines east and west of Pittsburgh for the year were \$133,521,622; operating expenses, \$92,003,364, and net earnings \$41,518,258. The dividends paid during the year, at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent., amounted to \$6,241,873.

A Blow at the Press.

(Morganton Herald.)

Senator Williams may not have so intended, and we hope he did not, but his six per cent interest bill was a direct blow at the editors of the State. We may as well tell it now that the bill has been defeated; the editors had determined not to loan another dollar in the State if this pernicious bill had gone on the statute books. The Legislature has happily averted this threatened contraction of North Carolina circulating medium.

THE DIRECT LAND TAX.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT ABSOLUTELY REFUSES TO ALLOW PARTIES TO EXAMINE RECORDS.

The Secretary Declares That Attorneys and Claimants are Barred From Them, But That the State Treasurers Will All be Supplied in Full With the Original Lists.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—The Treasury Department is receiving daily many applications from attorneys and claimants for permission to examine the direct tax records on file in the Department to enable them to prepare claims for the tax. Acting Secretary Nettleton has declined to accede to the requests and states that the act refunding the direct tax requires that where the tax was collected directly from the citizen, the sums so collected shall be paid to the state "and held in trust by such state for the benefit of those persons or inhabitants from whom they were collected, or their legal representatives."

The act also prescribes that "all claims under the trust hereby created shall be filed with the Governor of such State," and "that no money shall be paid to any State until the Legislature thereof shall have accepted, by resolution, the sum herein appropriated and the trust imposed, and shall have authorized the Governor to receive said money for the use and purposes aforesaid."

When these requirements shall have been complied with, it is presumed that satisfactory arrangements will be made by the Treasury Department with each State to furnish it or its duly authorized agent with such direct tax records as the Department possesses, or such of them as would be needed to enable the State to fulfill its trust.

In the meantime the department, for obvious reasons, declined to grant requests made by claim agents or individual tax-payers or their legal representatives.

THE CROP BULLETIN FOR MARCH.

The Reserve Corn and Wheat Crops Lower Than for Many Years.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—The statistical returns of the Department of Agriculture for March are estimates of the corn and wheat in the hands of farmers, the proportion and present value of merchantable corn, the weight of wheat per measured bushel and other points in the commercial distribution of grain.

The result of the consolidation makes the farmers' reserve of corn in bushels, 542,000,000, against 970,000,000 last year. It is the lowest recent reserve except that from the smaller crop of 1887 and that from the crop of 1883.

The proportion estimated for consumption where grown is relatively large, 87.4 per cent., instead of 81.8 last year. The quantity shipped or to be shipped from the farms is therefore only 188,000,000 bushels, or less than half the surplus of last year. The average price of merchantable corn is 55.8 cents per bushel; of unmerchantable 32.9 cents. The aggregate value of the crops, on this basis, is \$761,000,000.

The proportion of wheat still in the hands of farmers is lower than an average of the last ten years. It is 112,000,000 bushels. It has been lower only in two years of the last ten, after the meagre crops of 1881 and 1885, which were smaller than that of 1890. Including the visible stocks, to supply is 135,000,000 bushels. The consumption of the last twelve months is estimated at 239,000,000; seed used 53,000,000, and the exports have been about 89,000,000 from March 1, 1890.

The low percentage of the spring wheat States are especially noticeable. Half of the present stocks will be required for spring seeding.

The average weight per measured bushel is 57.2 pounds. The average of 1889 was 57.7 pounds, which was the precise average of seven crops from 1883. In bushels of sixty pounds the aggregate is 381,000,000, or 90,000,000 less by weight than the preceding crop.

ENCOURAGING POOL ROOMS.

A Kentucky Judge Decides that Horse Racing and Pool Playing are not Gambling.

(By United Press.)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 10.—Judge Thompson this morning rendered a decision in the celebrated Pool Room cases. It is in the nature of a sensation. He holds that horse racing is not a game of chance, and that pool rooms cannot be prosecuted under the gambling laws. He therefore dismissed the defendants, which include the proprietors of the five pool rooms in this city. An appeal will be made, and if the judgment holds in the higher court, at least a dozen new pool rooms will be started in the state.

The Floods in Louisiana.

(By United Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 10.—No information concerning any breaks on the Louisiana line of levees has been heard of up to to-day and the State engineers are hopeful that the dykes will successfully restrain the flood though in the northern portion of the State there are several levees about whose stability some apprehension is felt.

He Missed McClane and Killed His Daughter.

(By United Press.)

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 10.—A telephone message from Carthage this morning says that in a drunken row yesterday, Ed. Turner, white, killed a daughter of Thomas McClane, colored. In the melee Turner threw a rock at McClane, which missed him and struck his daughter, killing her instantly.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

Rev. J. Wm. Jones' Excellent Address on "Lee and His Men." (Special Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., March 9.—Durham and Henderson "owe us one" and more for having lent them a distinguished visitor of ours to lecture on "Lee and his Men." The "Soldiers' Home" ought to have the benefit of him.

The University Young Men's Christian Association were indeed favored in enjoying the inspiration of those rich discourses on Religion in the Army of Northern Virginia and on the Boys in Gray or The Confederate Soldier as I knew him, from Rev. Jno. William Jones, D. D., the enthusiastic soldier and chaplain, who followed Stonewall Jackson and A. P. Hill and General Lee throughout the war. We think that Prof. Hume, whose old-time friend and guest he is, put it fitly, in introducing him, when he said that those who forget or do not honor a noble past are not worthy of, and will not have, a noble future. Only those who shared the trials and dangers of our "boys" know how their Christian faith shone in the darkest hours of the war. It was a God-send to us all to hear him in public and private and to realize that a little experience both of war and of religion is worth all the cavils of a cold and sneering scepticism. So generous a spirit and words as his put fresh heart into us. The students especially responded to him warmly with their fresh and glowing manhood.

Intermediate Examinations.

The wretched weather has not dampened our ardor in preparing for the Middle or Intermediate Examination which has just begun. Being somewhat more extended than the monthly examinations and not quite so long and taxing as the regular finals, and coming, too, within eight days at the middle of the second term, they seem to be both less of an imposition and a satisfactory enough test. The May finals beckon on us still.

The Literary Clubs.

I must not wait the monthly meeting of the University Shakespeare Club. The contemporaries of the great dramatist were sketched and their influence on him indicated, and the Shakespeare Bacon meeting was well "ventilated." Dr. Hume, the president of the club, stated the question and gave a clear history of its rise and progress through Delia Bacon, Judge Holmes, Mrs. Pott, Donnelly and the Review writers.

The mere statement of the case, given so concisely and carefully, showed that he who was vouched for by his contemporaries and his own peculiar mark and style was not Bacon. The great cryptogram or cypher was examined and proven to be WITHOUT FOUNDATION. Mr. J. F. Zendren, of Winston, read an interesting paper on Parallelism of Height and Style in Shakespeare and Bacon, showing how a superficial comparison might lead Mrs. Pott to confound them, but that style was something finer and deeper than these occasional resemblances.

Prof. Winston followed in a humorous and entertaining review of the external and internal evidences for and against the Baconian authorship. His cipher proof that Donnelly and Dogberry are the same and that the former was "written down" prophetically "an ass" was very amusing.

The papers of the evening afforded a useful study of the distinguishing qualities that make up an author's individuality and they suggested how the exercises of such a club, if pursued according to the printed scheme, may aid in forming a much needed critical habit of mind and of expression. The very "volunteer" character of the work makes it the most stimulating supplement to the routine of required class-work. A larger proportion of students usually take part in the exercises. The dramatic treatment of a great historical period will be considered next month.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

The Thrilling Experience of a Little Girl With a Mad Dog.

(Special Cor. STATE